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Mourning the Passing of Senate Minority Leader Jorge Luis Garcia

Statement by Governor Jan Brewer

PHOENIX – "I am deeply saddened by the news of the tragic passing of Arizona Senate Minority Leader Jorge Luis Garcia. Senator Garcia was a hard working and dedicated public servant. He was a gentleman, and a kind man with a wonderful sense of humor. On behalf of the citizens of Arizona, my heartfelt and sincere condolences go out to Senator Garcia's family, friends, and colleagues.

"Senator Garcia was elected to the Arizona State Senate in 2003 (District 27). He had previously served in the Arizona House of Representatives from 1993 to 1997. He leaves behind Maria, his wife of 38 years, and three grown children, daughters Yvette, Dominique and son, Rolando, and four grandchildren. He earned a Masters degree from Arizona State University in 1981 and an undergraduate degree from the University of Arizona in 1975. Senator Garcia had resided in Tucson since 1973.

"To honor Senator Garcia, I have ordered flags to be flown at half staff for a period of seven days beginning tomorrow October 16, 2010."

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